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A BILL FOR

1 An Act providing an exemption from commercial vehicle marking
2 requirements for certain vehicles operated intrastate.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 321.449, Code 2011, is amended by adding
2 the following new subsection:

3 NEW SUBSECTION. 7A. Rules adopted under this section
4 concerning the marking of commercial motor vehicles shall not
5 apply to a commercial motor vehicle owned or controlled by a
6 farmer and operated intrastate to transport the farmer's own
7 agricultural products, farm machinery, or farm supplies to or
8 from the farm or, if the farmer assists other farmers through
9 an exchange of services, between the farms of the farmers who
10 are exchanging services.

11 EXPLANATION

12 Pursuant to current law, the department of transportation
13 has adopted administrative rules for the regulation of
14 commercial vehicles which are consistent with federal motor
15 carrier safety regulations. Those rules require certain
16 commercial motor vehicles to display a U.S. department of
17 transportation number on the vehicle, a practice known as
18 "marking".

19 This bill provides an exemption from marking requirements
20 for commercial motor vehicles which are owned or controlled
21 by a farmer and operated intrastate to transport agricultural
22 products, farm machinery, or farm supplies to or from the farm.
23 Vehicles operated between farms by farmers who assist each
24 other through an exchange of services are included under the
25 exemption.